(*a*) whether resolutions passed at the Joint Conference of the All-Travancore Backward Communities held on the 23rd and 24th of Medom 1115 at Adoor under the presidency of Rao Sahib N. Sivaraj B, A., B. L. were received by Government; and

(*b*) if so, whether any action has been taken on them?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The resolutions are being considered.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: ഗവൺമെൻറിൻെറ സംരക്ഷണത്തിനു വിധേയമായ എല്ലാ അവശ സമുദായങ്ങളുടേയും ഏകോപിപ്പുള്ള ഒരു മഹാസമ്മേളനം ആയിരുന്ന അതെന്ന് ഗവൺമെൻറിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽപെടിട്ടുണ്ടോ എന്ന് പറയുവാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Yes Sir. I suppose so.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI : അവശസമുദായ പ്രതിനിധികളെല്ലാം കൂടി ആലോചിച്ച് സർവസമ്മതപ്രകാരം പാസാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ള പ്രമേയങ്ങളായിരുന്ന ഇവ എന്ന് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവൺമെൻറിൻെറ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ പതിഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടോ

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Sir, on a point of order. The Member himself and I myself were present at the conference. So there is no use in asking this question.

PRESIDENT : But all the other members of this House were not present.

Export of Toddy.

195. ✻**MR. K. R. NARAYANAN** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have investigated the possibilities of exporting toddy without becoming too much fermented and thus being made useless?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : No. The matter has not been investigated.

Newspaper Dakshina Bharathy.

196. ✻ **MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the following statements from the Newspaper Dakshina Bharathi dated 15th June 1940 and 22nd June 1940 have been brought to the notice of the Government?

"1. Bribery is rampant in the service of this State.
2. Some low-minded officers are exceedingly unscrupulous.
3. Bribery has free play in the Registration Department.
4. The recent pillages of a Brahmin Sub-Registrar, who is a law graduate, have become notorious.
5. In regard to the plunderings of the P. W. D. the less said the better.

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[Mr. C. Jebamony Nadar.]

6. The sight of even the leading citizens standing in abject humility in the presence of officers whom they visit, will make any one feel ashamed of the creator who brought this wonderful set into existence. Very often the officers are unable to hear these speak as they cover their mouth with one hand, when doing so. The officer generally takes delight in being spoken to in the above manner.

7. Some camp-clerks assume that the administrative machinery of the departments rest entirely in their hands.

8. The Census Commissioner should enquire who are the officers in Travancore who put on airs, which is the haughty community (Nair or Ezhava) and how the arch fools and the master arrogant G. R. Ps. get on.

9. There is a commotion in connection with the angry behaviour of a Devaswom Group Officer of Central Travancore, who is out and out corrupt, towards the Devaswom Commissioner.

10. There is a talk that an officer of the Karunagapally taluk who is a greedy beef-eater, knows who are the two worthless Conciliation officers who aspire for Assistant Peishkars' posts.

11. A certain Vasudevan is spreading out the news that the D. S. P. should enquire as to whether a P. C. of the Muvattupuzha Police Station has brought a Christian woman to the town and kept her there for two or three days and what are the official acts of that P. C.

12. There is a talk that an Inspector at Kuzhithura, who does not know how to speak decently in society and who knows only Butler's English, is in the habit of abusing the head of his own department who pays little attention to his uncle.

13. One 'Virinchan', who was worshipping one good-for-nothing Rama Panikkar, is making a lot of noise about the Chempu Anchal Master's enquiry as to what became of the complaint sent by a high officer at Trivandrum.

14. There is a talk that the action of the beef-eater officer of Karunagapally, in beating the people of his house is becoming a nuisance to the neighbours.

15. There is a gramophone plate commotion that the mountain swallowing P. C. Writer of Muvattupuzha is assuming all sorts of airs and is barking about in the cinema hall on account of his desire for women or for money.

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16. There is considerable hubub about a Police officer of Kalkulam taluk taking away the fountain pen belonging to a Devaswom subordinate of the Vilavankod taluk.

17. There is necessity for the present Devaswom Commissioner enquiring into the conduct of certain bandicoot clerks in his office. There are, however, some fellows there who say that he can practically do nothing against them.

18. A cunning clerk in the District Registrar's office is indulging in vagaries. There is a talk that the Registrar will do well to keep an eye on him.

19. There is a talk that as a result of the "supply" received by the staff of the V. P. Court at Kalkulam, the peon and a clerk of that court had to be carried back to their houses.

20. In such circumstances there will be none in Travancore to protest against the extension of the term of the Legislature even if it be for ten years."

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : The attention of Government has been drawn to the frequently intemperate and libellous character of the news and comments published in some newspapers including the one referred to and Government are contemplating measures whereby the papers will be called upon to substantiate the charges or withdraw them on pain of action being taken against the papers.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : May I take it that Government have enquired into the facts or otherwise of these remarks on Government servants ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : I have already answered that question, Sir.

Statement of recruitments by the present Public Service Commissioner.

197. ***MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN :** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of recruitments made to the Lower and Intermediate divisions of the Public Service since the present incumbent took charge of the office of the Public Service Commissioner ?

DR. H. PARAMESWARAN : The *statement is laid on the table.

MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസ് കമ്മീഷണർ വന്നതിനുശേഷം ഉള്ള ലോവർ ഡിവിഷനിലെ നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ ക്രസ്ത്യാനികളിൽനിന്ന് നാല്പതു നിയമനം നടത്തിയിട്ടുള്ളതിൽ ഒരു ലക്ഷത്തിൽ ശിഷ്ടമുള്ള അതർ ക്രസ്ത്യാനികളിൽനിന്ന് വെറേ നിയമിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതായും അതിൽ മൂന്നു മടങ്ങു വരുന്ന സിറിയൻ കാത്തലിക സിന്റ്ൻ-ൽ ൦, ലാറ്റിൻ കാത്തലിക്സിന്ന് ൧-൦ നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തീട്ടുള്ളതായി കാണുന്നു. ഇങ്ങനെ വലിയ വ്യത്യാസം വരാനുള്ള കാരണം എന്താണെന്ന് പറയാമോ ?

**Vide* Appendix VIII page 623.

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